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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

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Sir:

This Response replies to the non-final Office Action mailed May 28, 2009. Claims 13-28, 31-36, 39, and 42-44 are pending. Claims 24-28, 31-36, 39, and 42-44 are withdrawn. In view of the following remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in complete condition for allowance and request reconsideration of the application in this regard.